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TAGS: PFOR, ETEL, TW, CH

SUBJECT: CHINA ISSUE IN INTELSAT

REF: STATE 12005

1. ROC EMBASSY ECONOMIC MINISTER MARTIN WONG CALLED ON  
EA/ROC DIRECTOR SULLIVAN JANUARY 25 TO CONVEY ROC  
RESPONSE TO US POSITION ON CHINA ISSUE IN INTELSAT  
(REF). WONG SAID ROC PREFERRED SECOND OPTION --  
APPROACH BY USG TO LIMITED NUMBER OF COUNTRIES TO AVOID  
PRECIPITATING ORGANIZED COUNTERACTION. HE STATED  
THAT ROC HAD ALREADY APPROACHED 22 COUNTRIES AND  
RECEIVED RESPONSES FROM FOURTEEN OR FIFTEEN. WONG SAID  
ROC APPROACH STRESSED POLITICAL AND ACCESS ISSUES  
EQUALLY IMPORTANT. HE ADDED RESPONSES TO ROC APPROACH  
PROMISED FULL SUPPORT EXCEPT FOR THAILAND, MALAYSIA AND  
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PORTUGAL WHICH ARE "STUDYING" QUESTION. KOREA PROMISED

SUPPORT, BUT ROC FOUND RESPONSE "LUKEWARM."

2. WONG ASKED THAT US APPROACH COUNTRIES WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO APPROACH AND SUGGESTED THAT THEY INCLUDE TAIWAN'S MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS PLUS COUNTRIES ROC HAD ALREADY APPROACHED. SULLIVAN SAID DEPARTMENT WOULD DO THIS (SEPTEL). WONG ADDED THAT WHILE RUMORS OF CHALLENGE ON CHINA ISSUE AT ASSEMBLY OF PARTIES ABOUND, ROC HAD NO INFORMATION THAT ANY COUNTRY ACTUALLY

INTENDED TO BRING ISSUE UP. SULLIVAN REPLIED THAT WE HAVE ALSO BEEN UNABLE TO CONFIRM WHETHER CHALLENGE WILL IN FACT BE MADE.

3. WONG SAID ROC CONSIDERING CREATING A NEW PRIVATE CORPORATION TO BE CALLED "INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, LTD." WHICH WOULD REPLACE DIRECTORATE-GENERAL OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS (A GOVERNMENT AGENCY) AS ROC SIGNATORY TO INTELSAT OPERATING AGREEMENT AND WHICH WOULD OWN \$2.4 MILLION ROC INTELSAT INVESTMENT. ACTION WILL PROBABLY OCCUR BEFORE ASSEMBLY OF PARTIES BEGINS FEBRUARY 4. ALTHOUGH MOST STOCK IN CORPORATION WOULD BE HELD BY ROC, TAIPEI APPARENTLY BELIEVES THAT THERE WILL BE LESS LIKELIHOOD OF AN ATTEMPT TO DENY TAIWAN ACCESS IF INTELSAT TRANSACTIONS WERE WITH "PRIVATE" FIRM ON TAIWAN RATHER THAN WITH GOVERNMENT AGENCY.

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